

12/05/2006 BRAC MEETING SUMMARY

*** Outcome: Series of recommendations made in report to the Governor**

- Policy recommendations will be on what the State can do and what it can partner with others to do.
 - Be proactive in addressing carbon, regardless of what individuals think is the cause or the moral and ethics involved
 - Look for proactive policies and, to the extent possible, the science/economics behind each.
 - May include both administrative and legislative actions
 - Include measurable impact with that specific action.
 - (Critical) Make a connector on why something needs to be done.
 - Include a cost-benefit analysis.
 - List all Council recommendations supported by five or more Council members
 - If consensus, note.
 - Track support (ex - 18 out of 25 members)
- Governor also wants to be educated in a balanced way on science and economics
 - Mainstream scientific thinking on things that impact the intermountain west
 - Doesn't want Council to spend meeting time debating the issues of science and economics; rather Council to focus on making policy recommendations
 - Provide a balanced perspective
- Projected schedule:
 - Draft – July/August
 - Get something sooner rather than later, but not to the detriment of the project
 - One month to review and update.
 - If something overlooked, will rework it.
 - Final by early Fall.
 - Timeline may be revisited as Council gets further into its work.

*** Process: Council makes policy recommendations to the Governor; stakeholder work group provides analytical support to the Council and assists the Council in identifying policy and program options**

- Council to identify issues for Air Quality's stakeholder work group
 - Include actions implemented by someone else.
 - Consider issues supported by at least five Council members
 - Stakeholder work group will address other questions as they come up, provided there are adequate resources
- Stakeholder work group will do qualitative and quantitative analysis
 - Papers will be balanced
 - Weight presentations in accordance with mainstream research.
 - Make use of work that all the others have done
 - Provide written information to Council in advance of a meeting

- Council meetings will focus on discussions of information provided.
- Expectations of council members
 - Attend every meeting or send knowledgeable alternate (note: two members don't have an alternate to send – factor in scheduling meetings)
 - Decisions reached when alternate attended will not be revisited in a future meeting
 - Actively participate in discussions / thoughtfully consider other points of view
 - Two-way information exchange between Council members and their constituency
 - Work between meetings
 - Review information provided and drafts, and come prepared to discuss
 - Submit potential topics of interest and suggested policy recommendations as they occur to Council members (running list)

*** Public Involvement/Information**

- Council and stakeholder work group meetings are open to public.
- Council members can speak to media on own behalf, but no Council member can speak for the Council as a whole.
- Website will be maintained and updated throughout process. Content will include:
 - Governor's Charge
 - List of Council members
 - Meetings
 - Summary of and handouts from each meeting
 - Date, time and location of upcoming meeting
 - Notice of stakeholder work group meeting
 - Repository with links to key documents and websites
 - A general response e-mail
- Stakeholder work group
 - Will include varied sectors
 - Members will be encouraged to provide from and take information back to various groups
- Provide one coordinated calendar (Council and stakeholder work group meetings) with specific objectives for each - including a proposed meeting schedule.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, January 11 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Tax Commission, Room 1026

210 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City

****Information for Council review before the next meeting will be provided by Friday, January 5****

Items for Agenda

Climate initiatives by other states and in the region

Potential policy options

- Identify options not considered
- Direction to the stakeholder work group

Proposed outline for science report

Informational Items:

Proposed educational symposium for stakeholder work group

Proposed schedule for Council and stakeholder work group meetings

GHG Emissions Inventory and Final Report Update

NEED FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

If you have information on what is already being done, send it to

climatechange@utah.gov

LEFT ON TABLE

- Providing information to Legislature
- Keep in mind: To get the Legislature to buy off on proposals, need to clearly articulate policy value behind the recommendations.